

ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL

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STATE BOARD MEETING DATE October 27, 2008

SUBJECT: Consideration of Approval for an Additional Teacher Education Program – Graduate Program in Cross Categorical Special Education Certification by the University of Arizona

SUBMITTED BY: Jan Amator, Deputy Associate Superintendent, Highly Qualified Professionals Unit

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: October 9, 2008

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

According to R7-2-604.02(m), new programs may be submitted for approval either by January 15th or July 15th of each year. If a new program approval request does not coincide with the Institute of Higher Education's normal review cycle, the appropriate Department of Education staff conducts the review, discusses the review findings with the appropriate program representatives from the institution, and makes recommendations to the State Board. All new programs will come to the Board with a recommendation for two-year approval. Since all institutions are on a five-year approval schedule, these programs will receive full review, including an on-site visit, within five years.

The University of Arizona requests State Board approval of the Graduate Program in Cross Categorical Special Education Certification. The program was submitted to ADE on January 11, 2008 and was reviewed by Patty Hardy, Director of Title IIA, Barbara Nolan, Education Program Specialist in the Highly Qualified Professionals Unit, and Lisa Andrew, Education Program Specialist in the Exceptional Student Services Unit. Prior to submitting the recommendation for State Board approval, clarification and modifications regarding placement of candidates for their student teaching were requested by ADE staff. Representatives from the University of Arizona College of Education and Department of Special Education, Rehabilitation, and School Psychology worked with ADE staff to resolve these issues.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: ☐ INFORMATION ☒ ACTION

DESCRIBED BELOW:

Grant two-year approval for the Additional Teacher Education Program – Graduate Program in Cross Categorical Special Education Certification by the University of Arizona

ATTACHMENTS: YES ☐ NO ☒